

How Water Gets Dirty

Did you know?

Wastewater treatment plants use natural processes to clean water—these processes cannot break down all chemicals.

To sewer system,
treatment plant,
then Puget Sound

Did you know?

Most stormdrains do not go to treatment plants.

Down storm-
drain to Puget Sound or
lake or river.

Did you know?

Transportation exhaust and automotive parts pollute the air and eventually come to rest in sediments and water.



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